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MEMORANDUM FOR THE SPECIAL GROUP

SUBJECT: Reconnaissance of China

1. Project TACKLE, which was approved by the Special Group at its meeting on 5 January, has now been approved in the following terms:

a. A sortie, which will follow substantially the track shown in red on the map discussed last Friday, will proceed as soon as possible.

b. Sorties, covering substantially the other two tracks, will be approved one at a time by the Special Group after successful completion of the first one.

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2. Word has now been received from [redacted] has explicitly agreed to accept publicly full and exclusive responsibility for these missions, in the event of mishap.

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3. State and CIA officials are working out details of implementation of the cover plan, should it be required.

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